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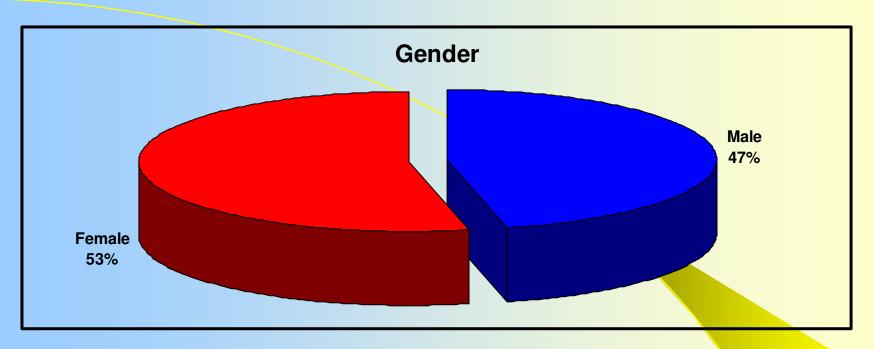
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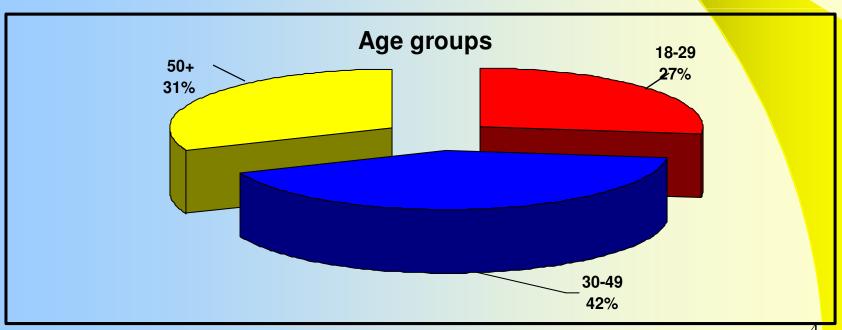


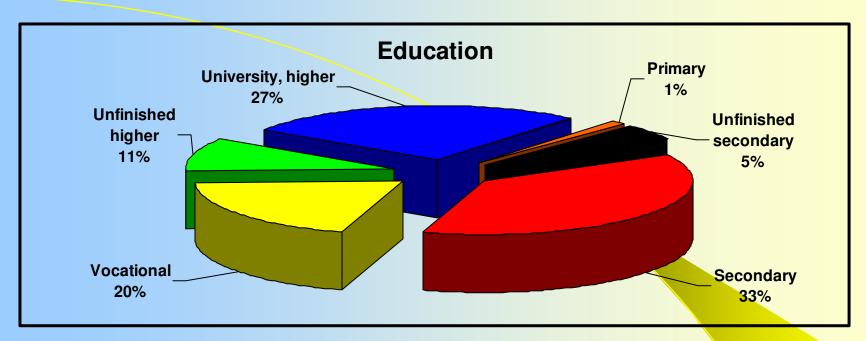
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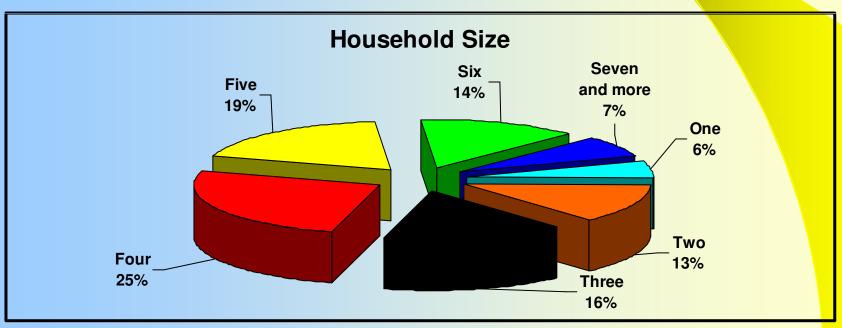
- This national representative survey was conducted on October 27 November 3, 2007, by the Armenian Sociological Association (ASA) for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute.
- The sample consisted of 1,200 Armenian residents over the age of 18 and eligible to vote and is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.
- The sample design was a multi-stage random sample.
 - Stage One: Break country into official administrative regions.
 - Stage Two: Select clusters of sampling points based on settlement population (large, medium, small towns and villages). One sample point = approximately one percent of survey population (10-12 surveys). Sampling points in each region were selected based on the percentage of population living in the various levels of settlement in that same region.
- Respondents were selected by the random route method, using the next birthday rule to select a respondent from within a household.
- Data is collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.
- Poll was conducted nationwide, including the capital and all major regional centers.
- The margin of error does not exceed three percent.

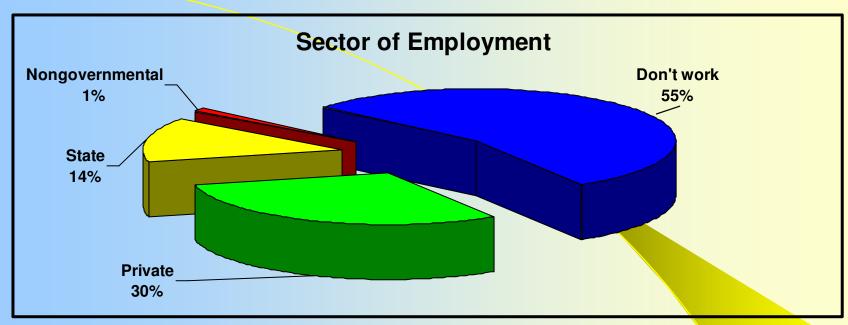
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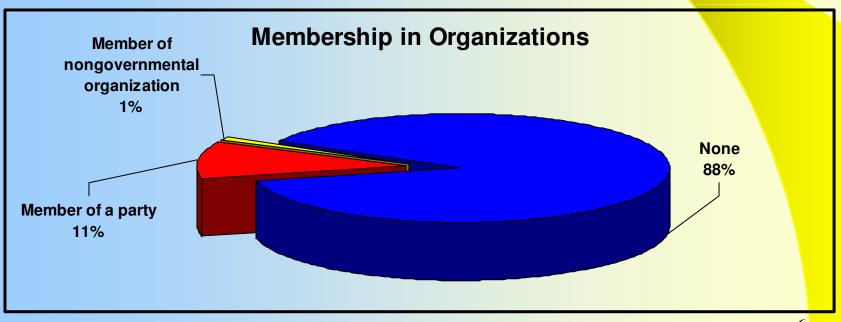


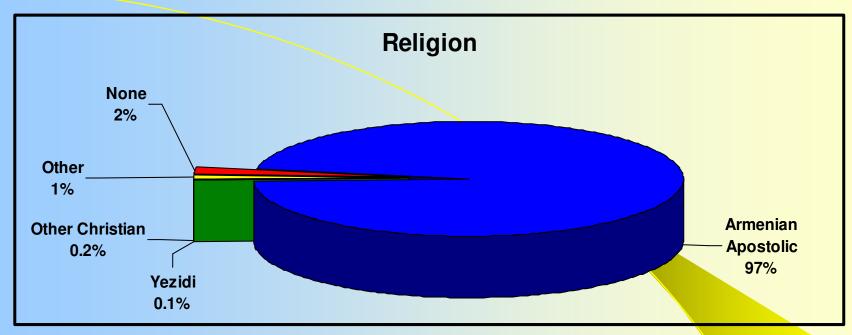


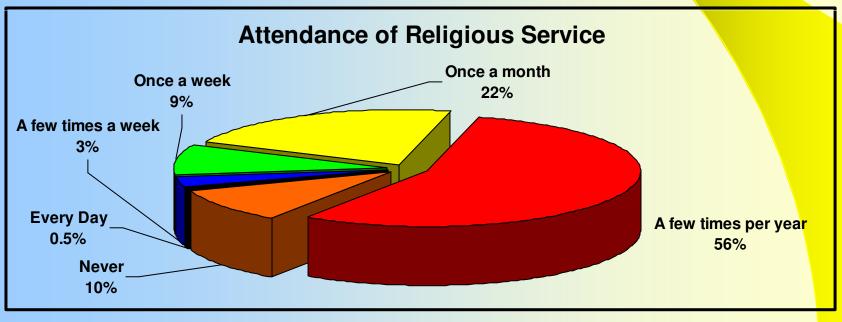


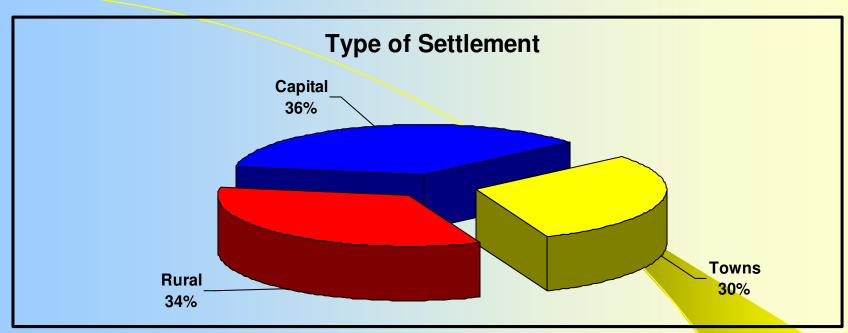


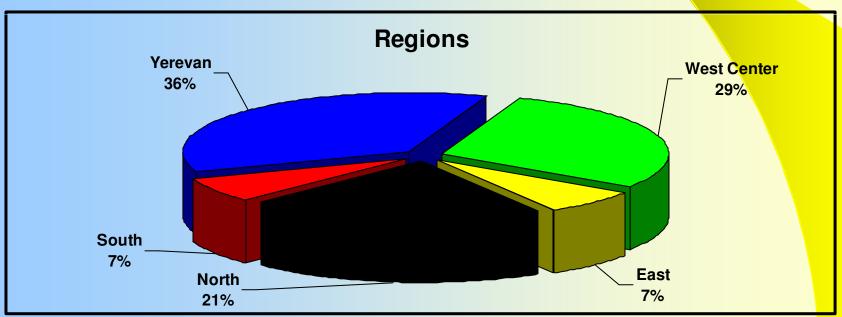






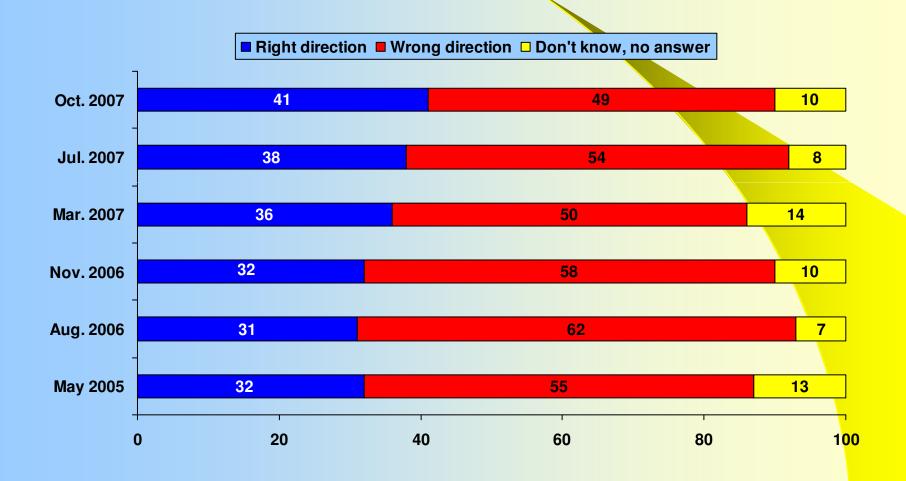




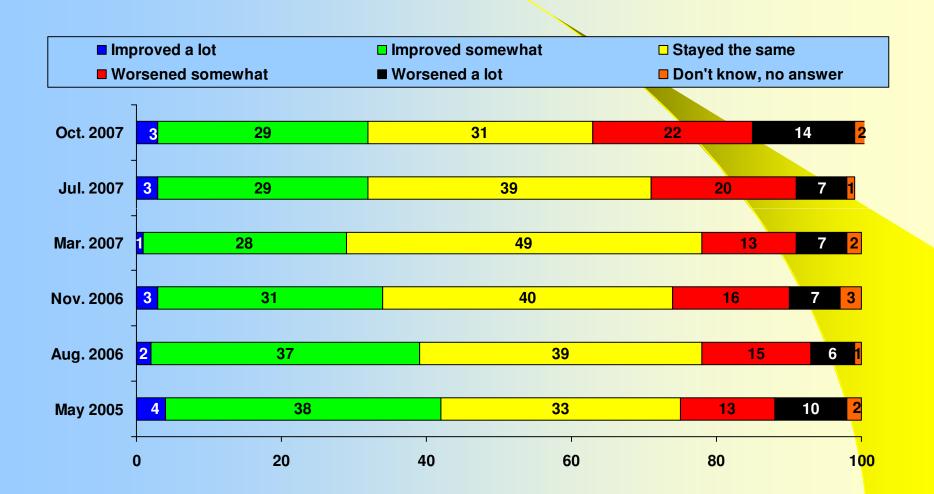


MOOD OF THE COUNTRY

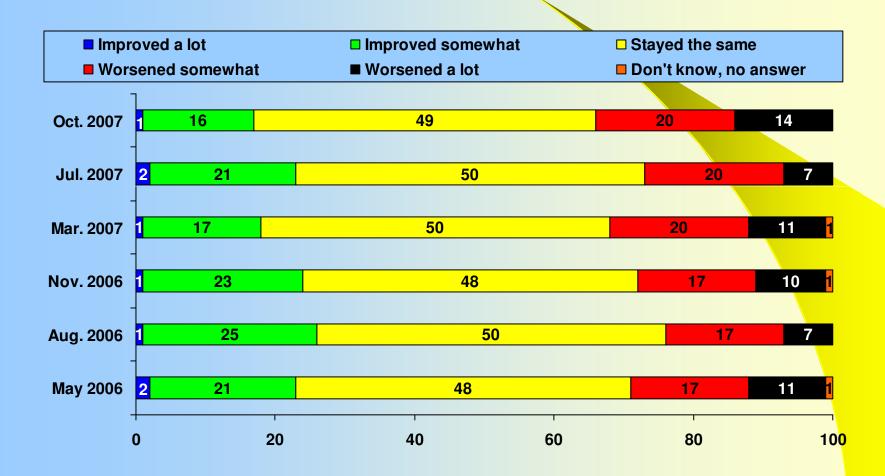
Generally speaking, do you think that things in Armenia are going in the right direction or wrong direction?



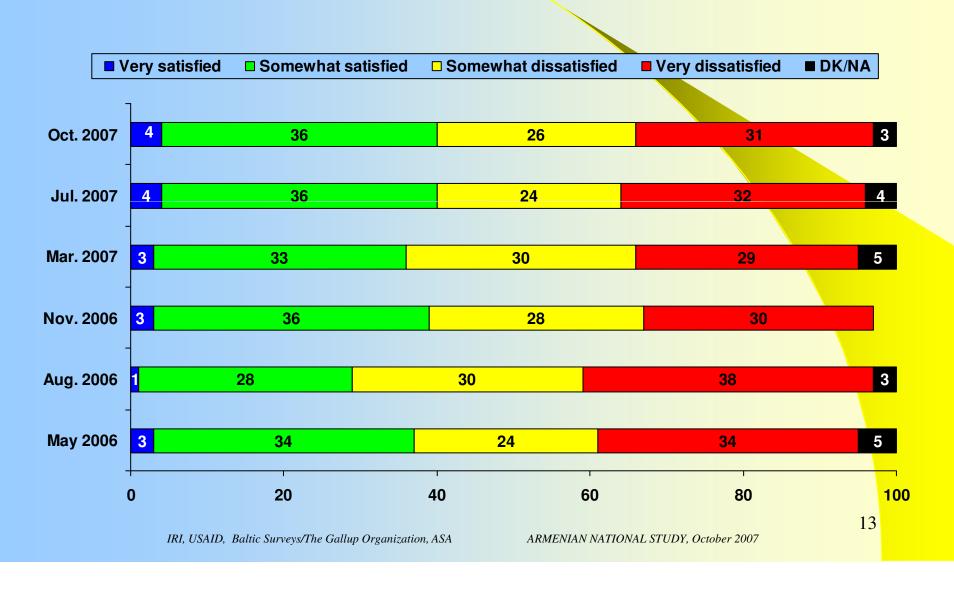
Over the last three months, the economic situation in Armenia has...



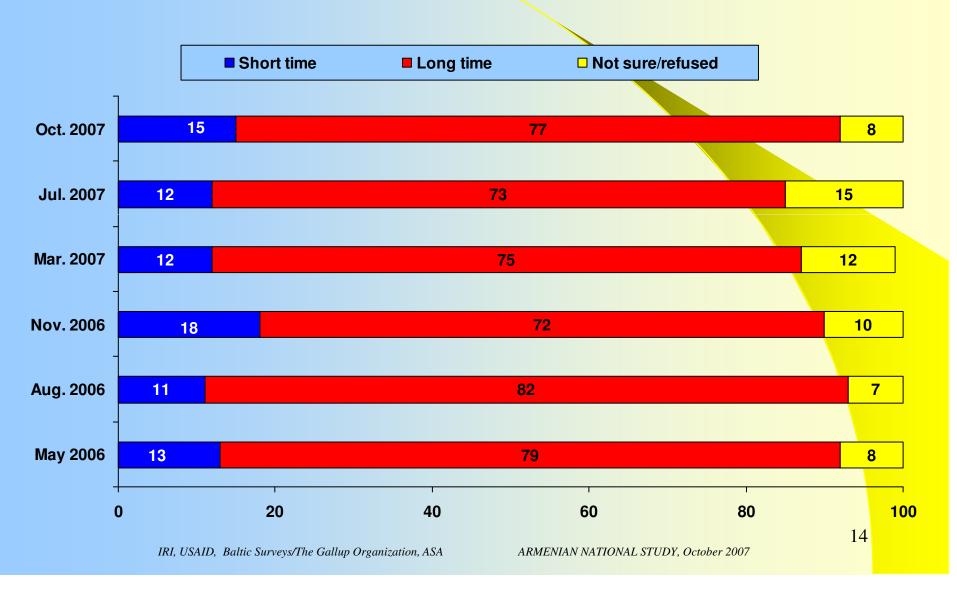
Over the last three months, the financial situation of your household has...



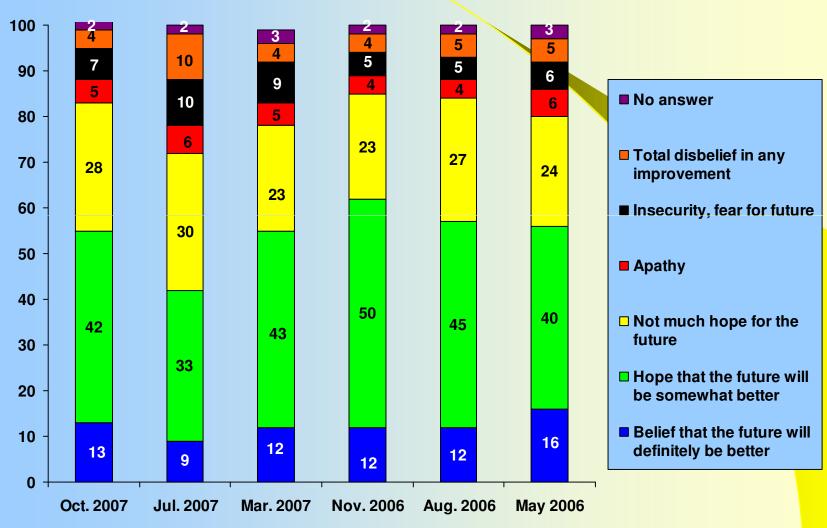
How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Armenia?



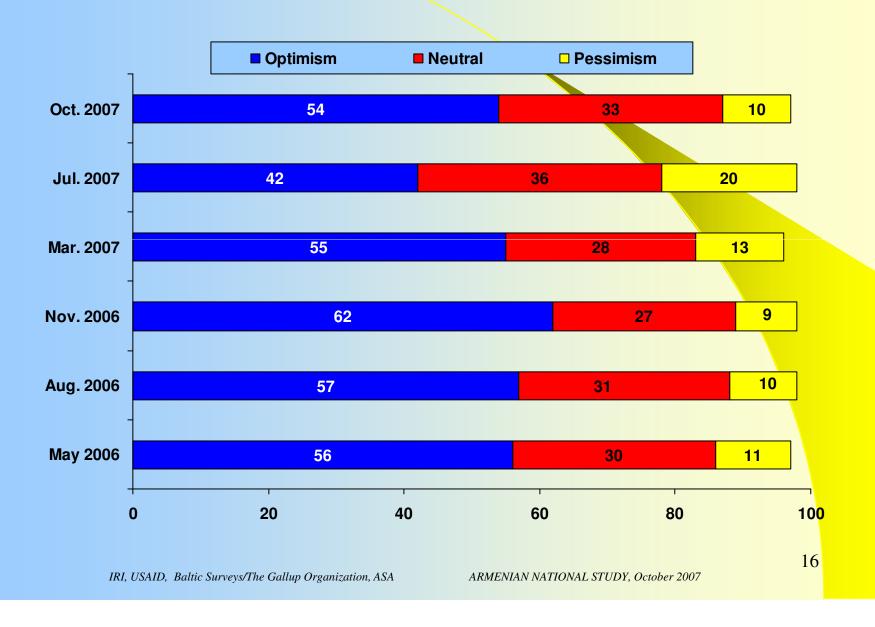
Do you believe that things will get better in a short time, or will it take a long time for things to get better in the country?



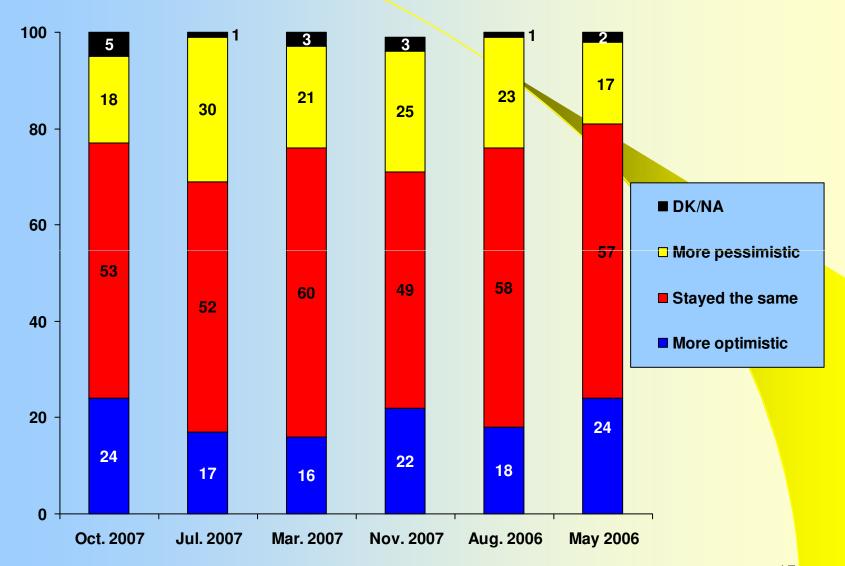
What are your personal expectations for the future of Armenia?



Are you optimistic or pessimistic for the future?

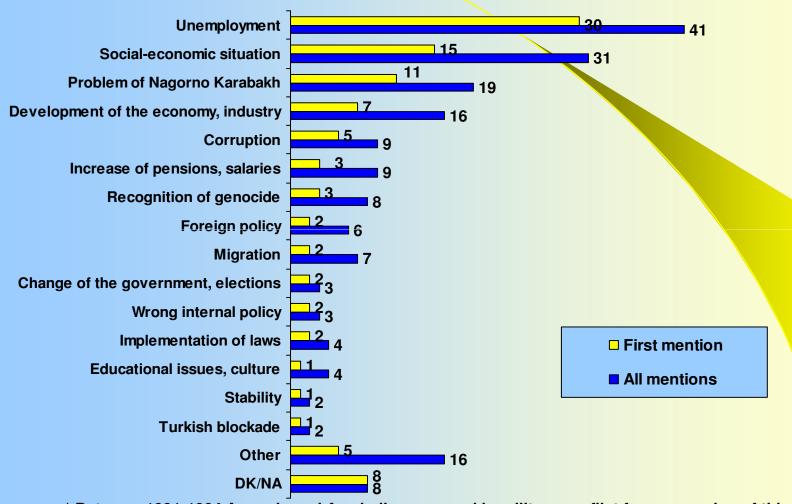


Over the last year, your attitude towards the way things are developing in Armenia has become...



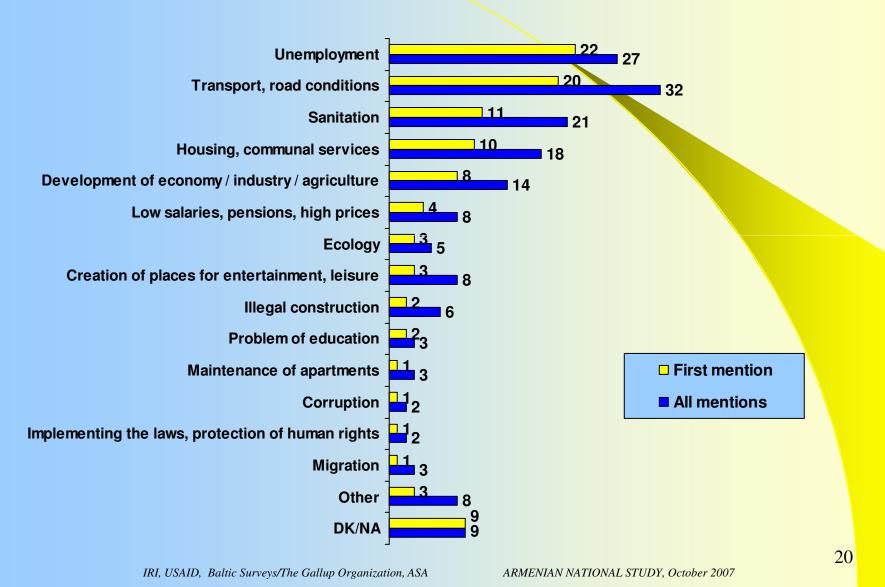
ISSUES

What are the main problems Armenia is facing at the moment? October 2007

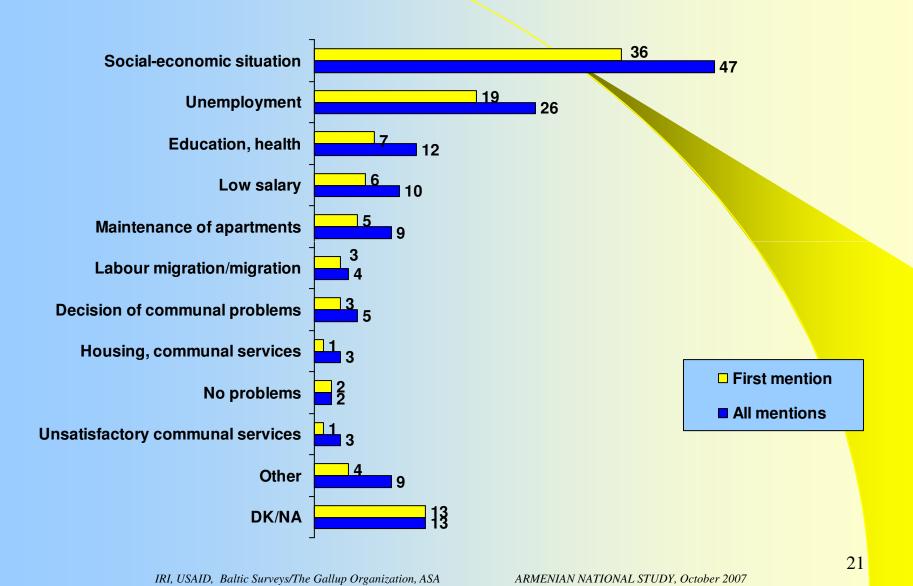


^{*} Between 1991-1994 Armenia and Azerbaijan engaged in military conflict for possession of this disputed territory

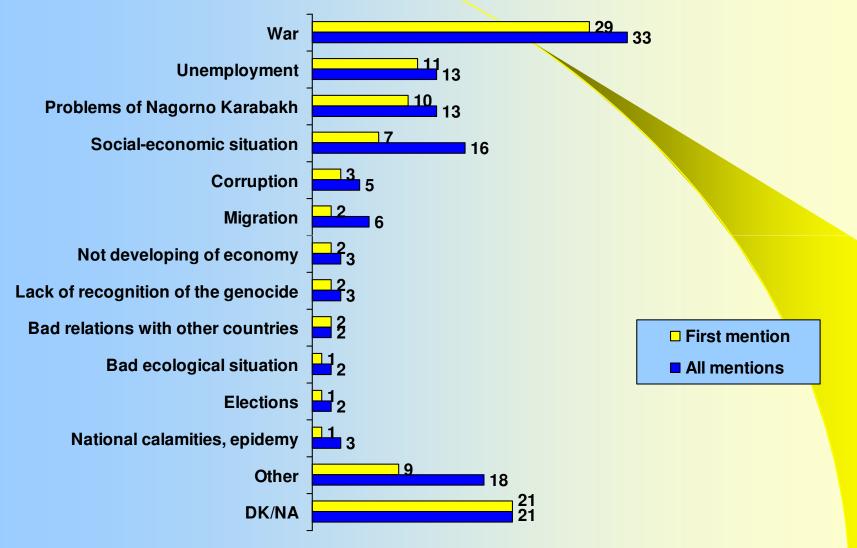
What are three main problems you would say your town/village is facing at the moment? October 2007



What are the three most important problems for you and your household members? October 2007

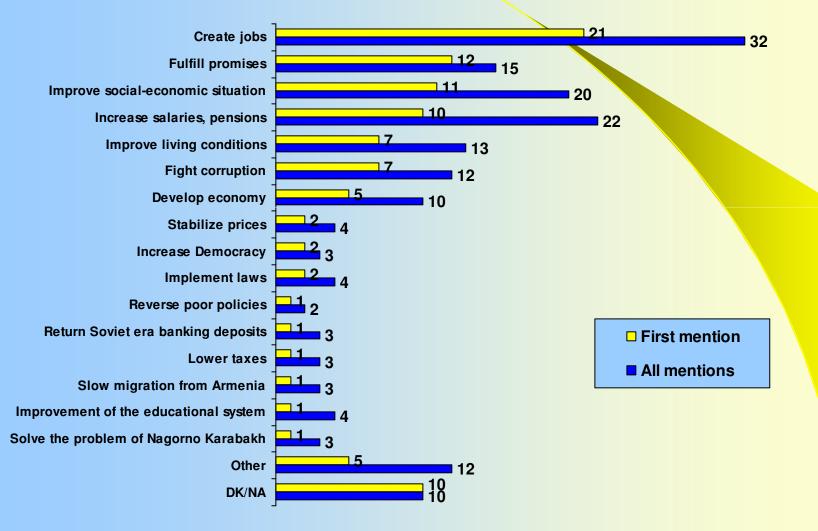


Thinking about the current situation and future of your country, what are the three things that you are most afraid of? October 2007

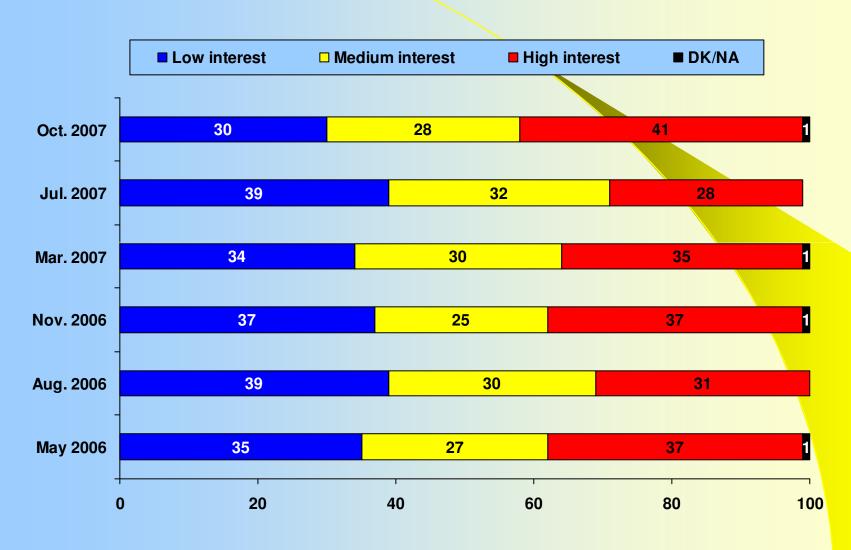


POLITICS

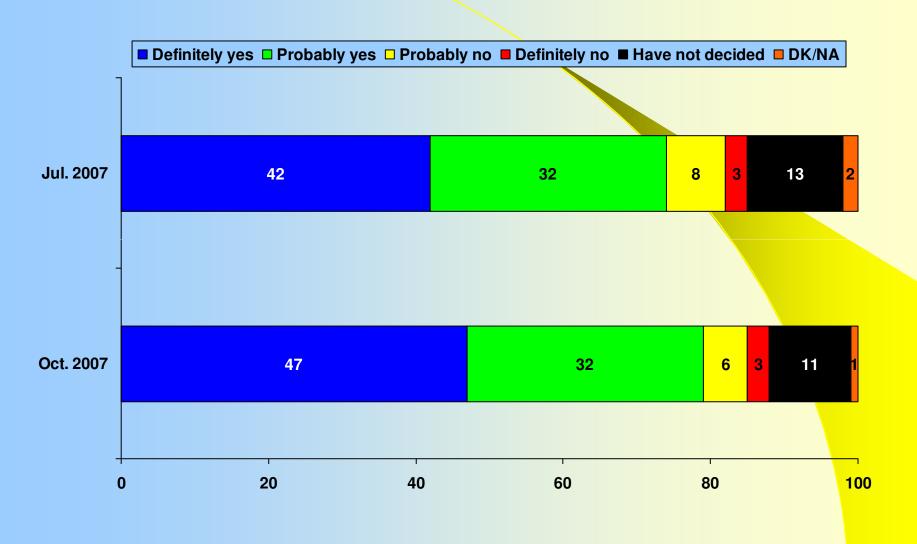
What should the Armenian government accomplish first to attract the support of the majority of the Armenian population? October 2007



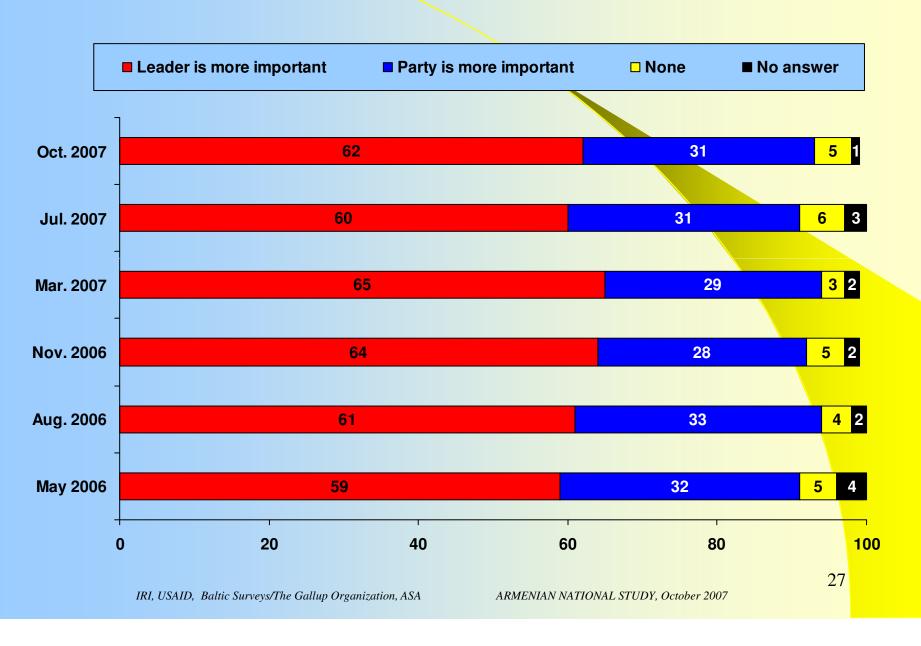
How much interest do you have in politics?



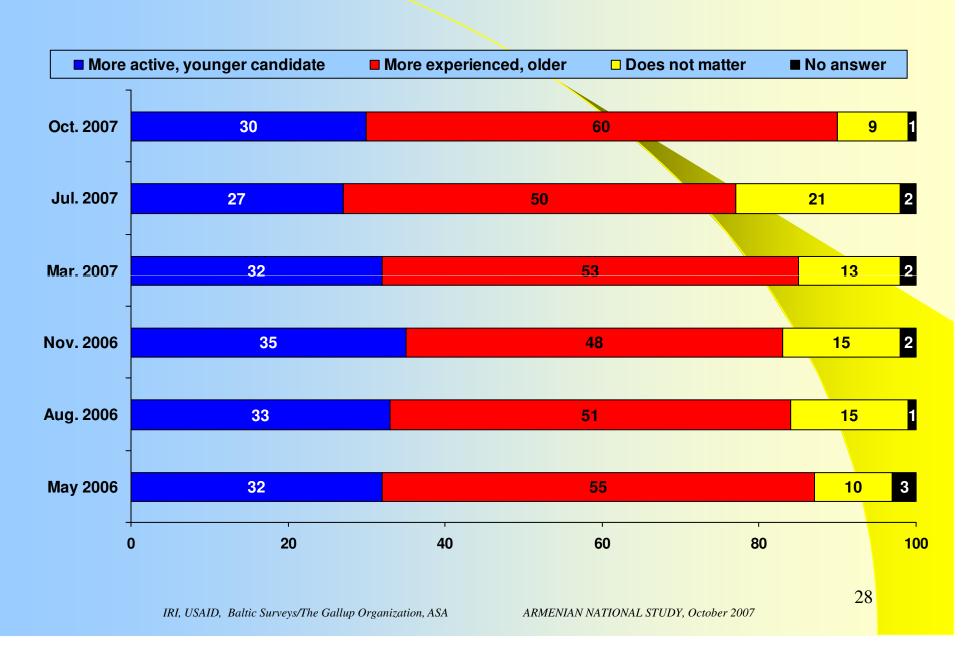
Do you plan on voting in the next presidential election?



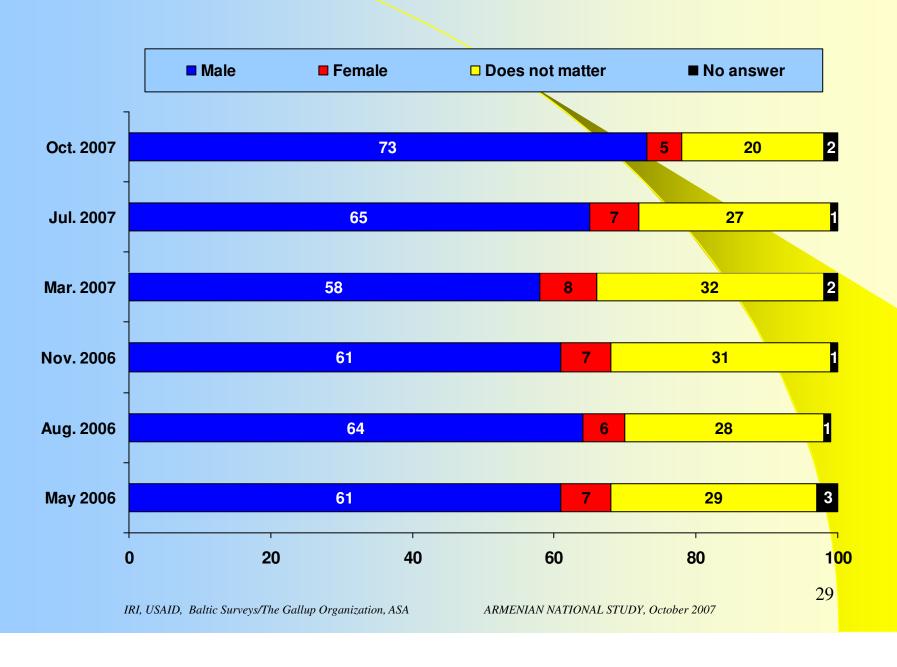
When considering which party to vote for, what is more important?



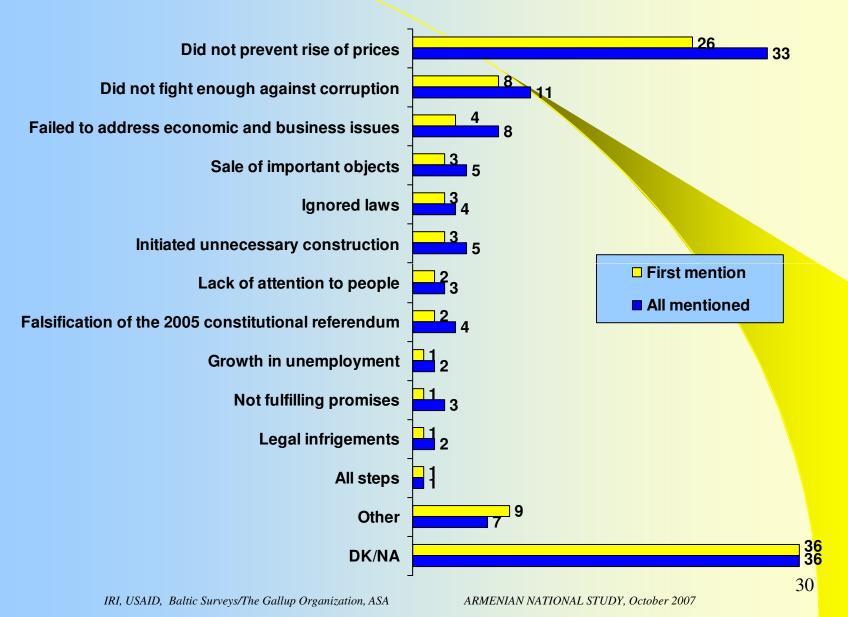
All other things being equal, would you vote for...



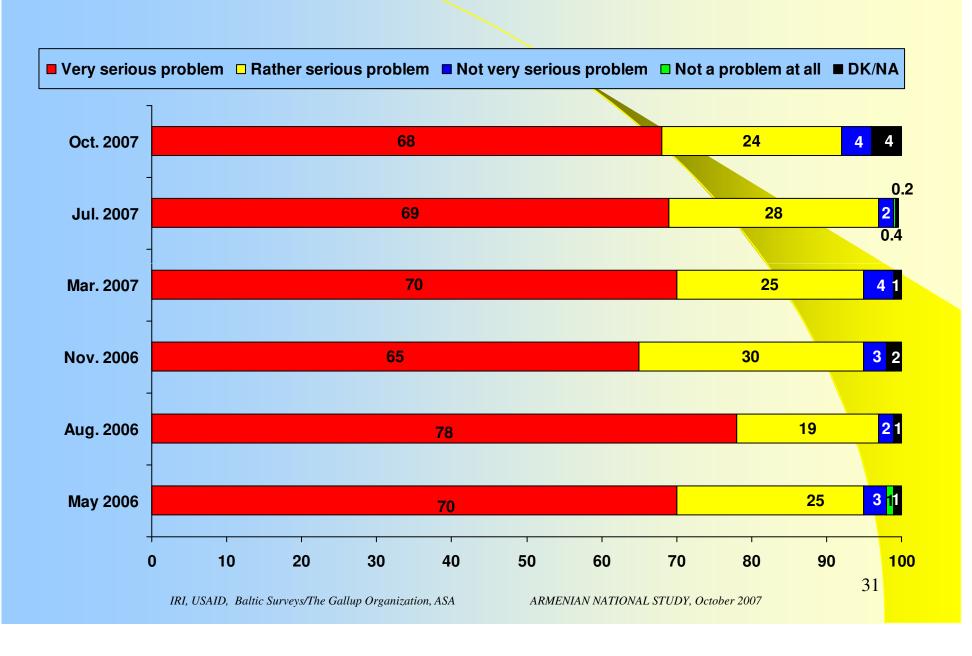
All other things being equal, would you vote for...



What are the major mistakes and failures of the Armenian authorities over the last year? October 2007

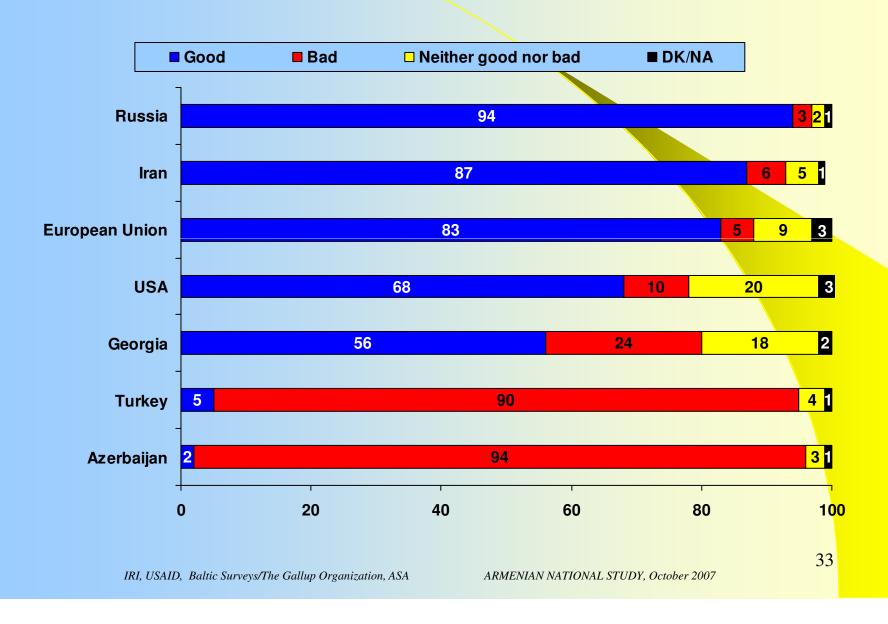


The wrongdoing and corruption of political leaders and authorities is...

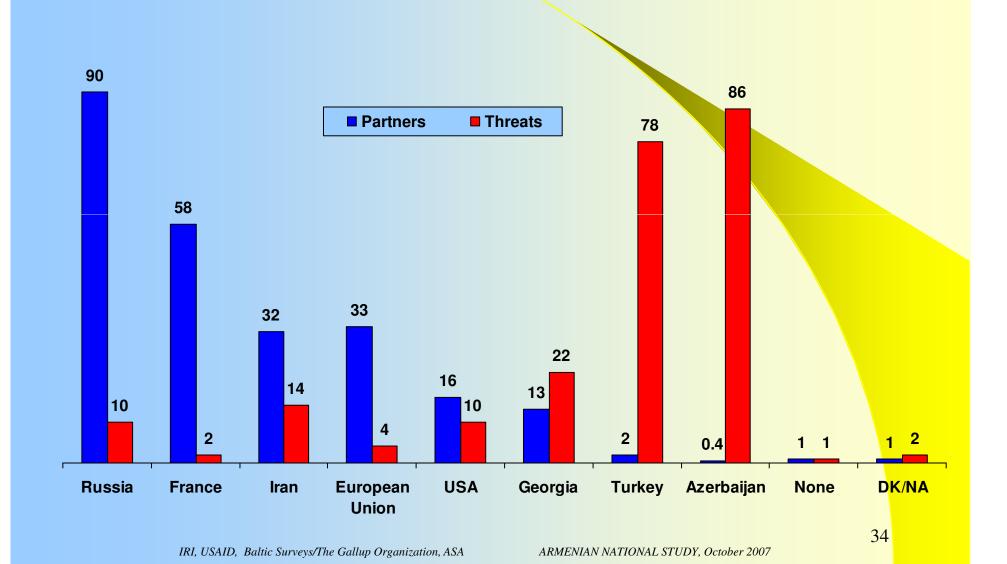


INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

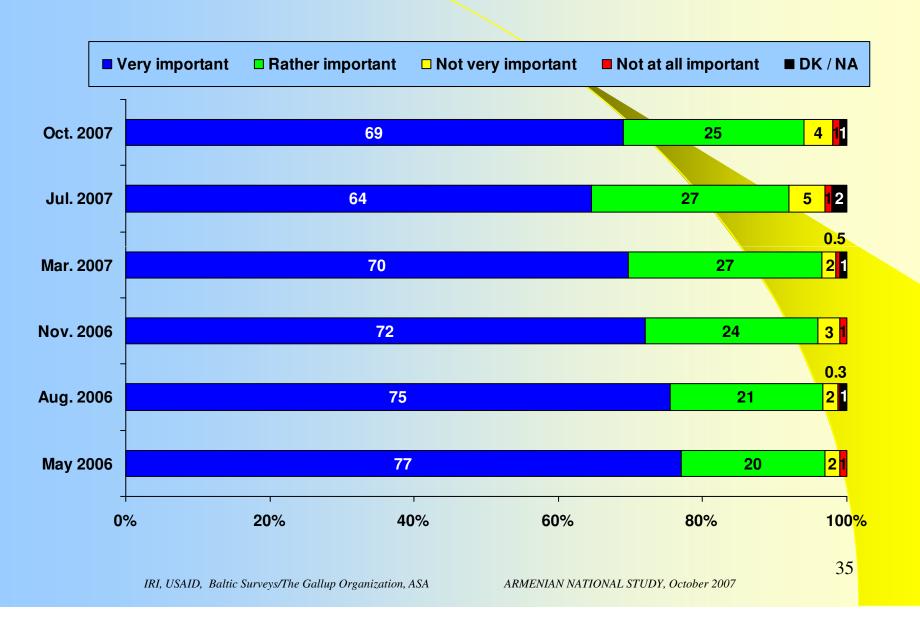
How would you evaluate the current state of relations between Armenia and each of the following? October 2007



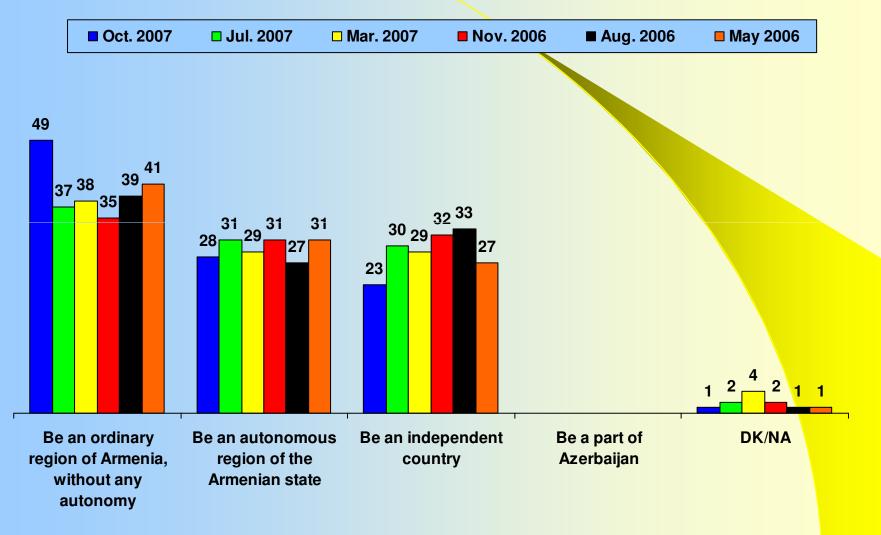
Which countries are the most important partners for Armenia? Which comprise the greatest political and economic threat?



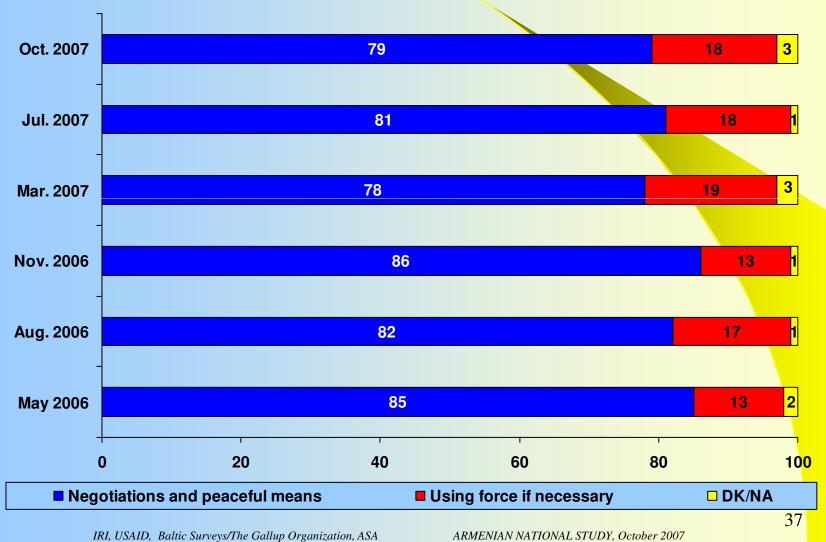
How important is it for Armenia to solve the problems related to Nagorno Karabakh in the near future?



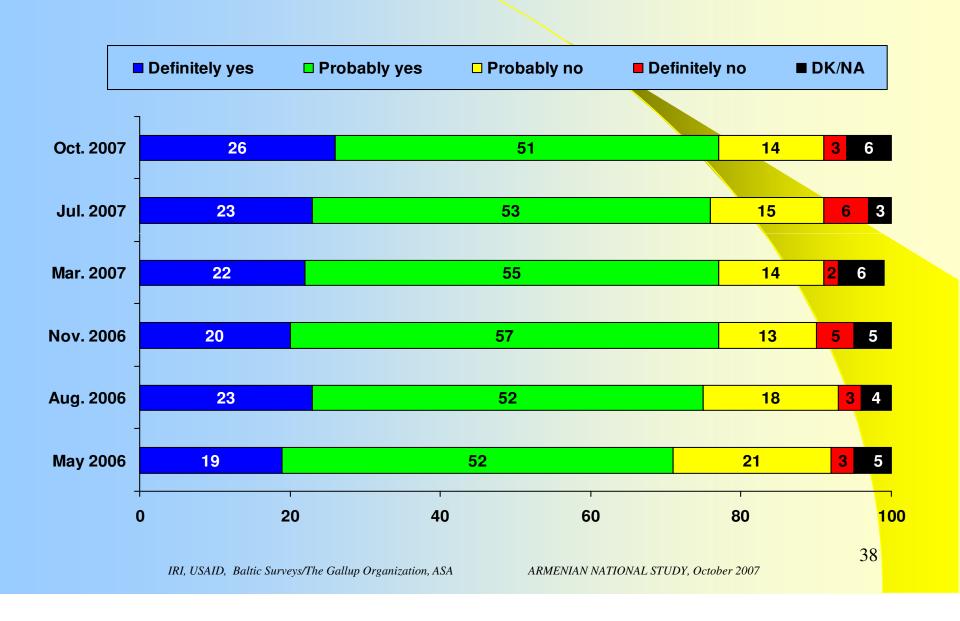
Regarding the future of Nagorno Karabakh, do you think it should...



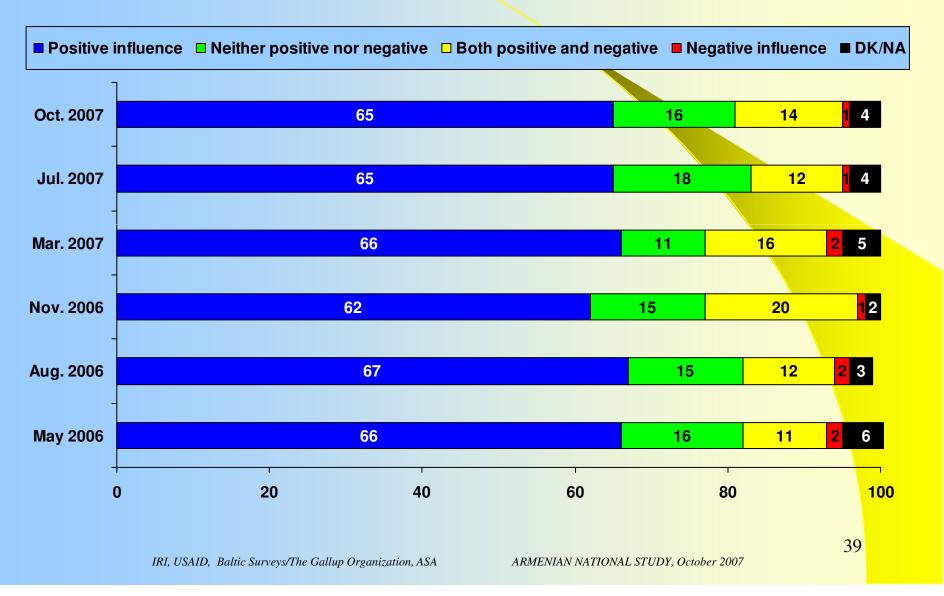
Do you think that the current situation in regard to the status of Nagorno Karabakh should be resolved through negotiations and peaceful means, or should some force be used if necessary?



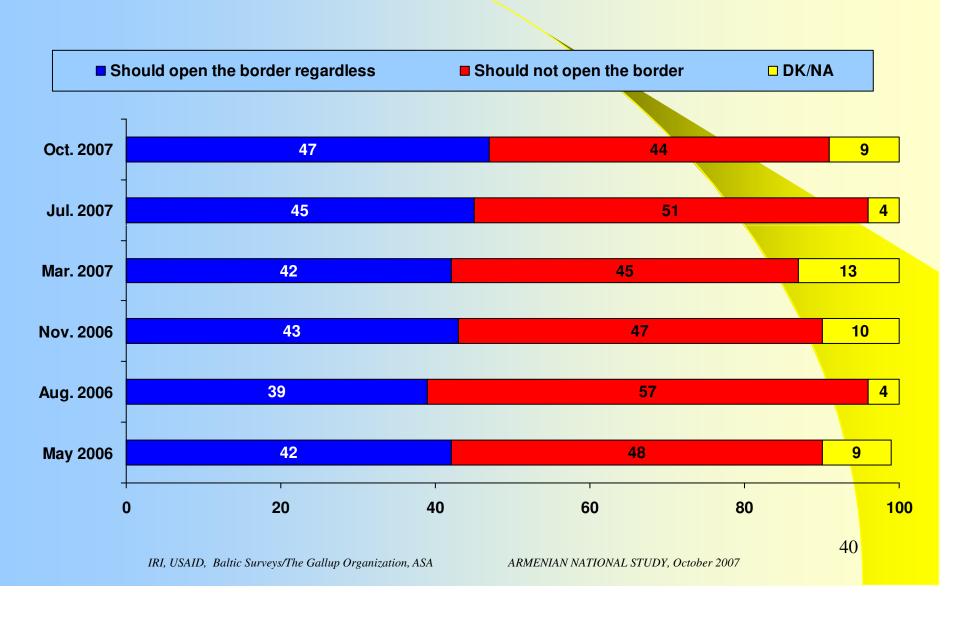
Do you think that a peaceful settlement on Nagorno Karabakh can be reached with Azerbaijan without military force being used?



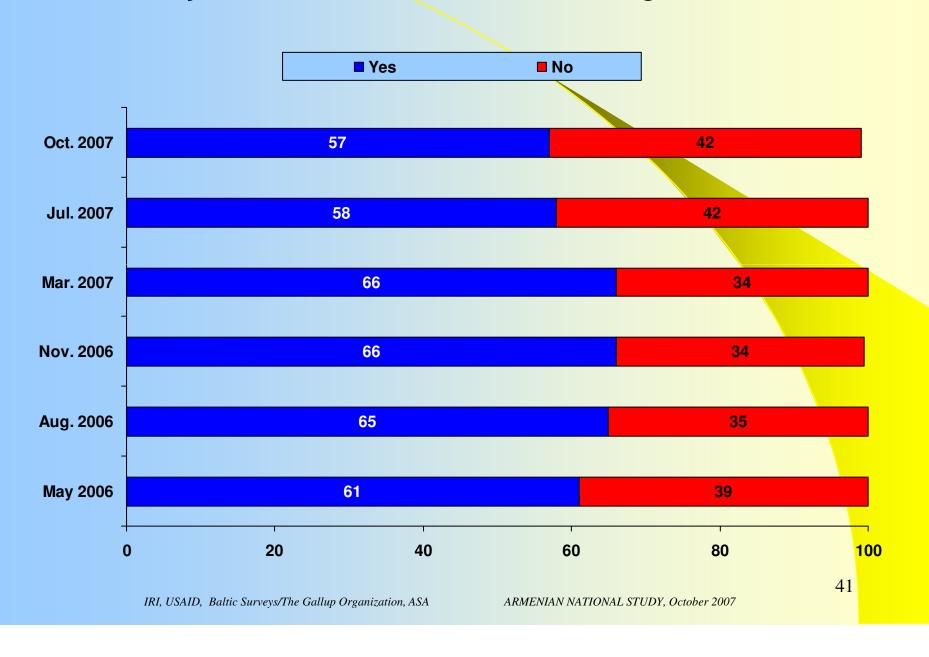
In your opinion, does the presence of a Russian military base in Armenia have a positive or negative influence on Armenian independence and stability in the country?



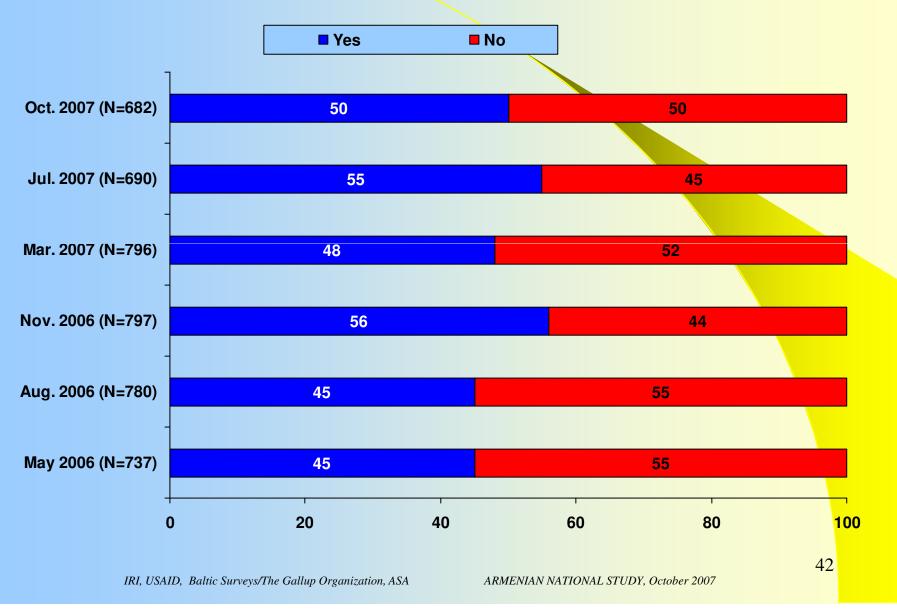
Should the government of Armenia agree to open the border for trade, etc., with Turkey even if the Turkish government does not recognize the genocide?



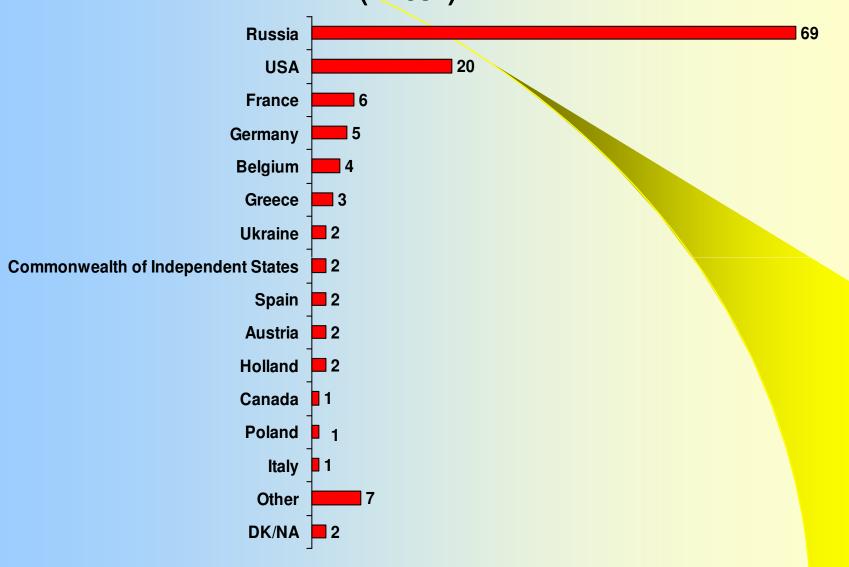
Do you have friends or relatives working abroad?



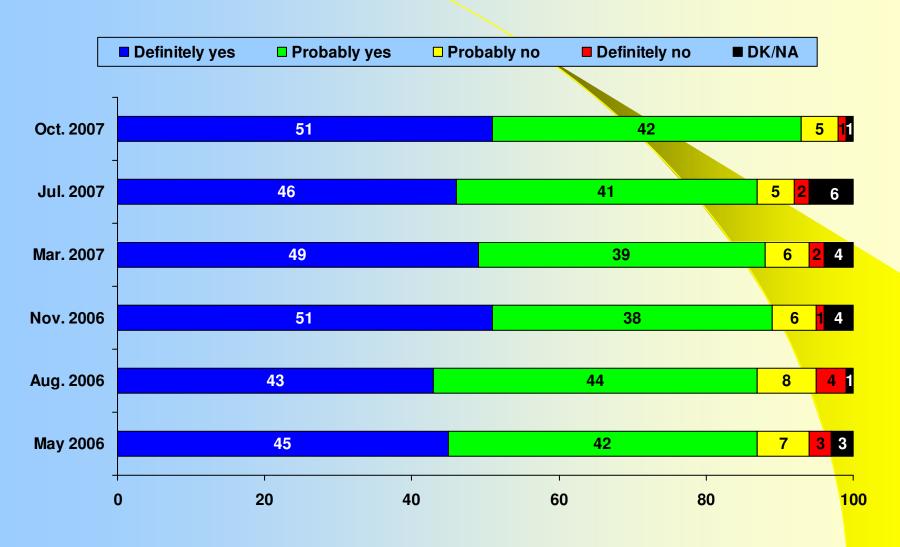
Do you personally benefit from remittances being sent from friends or relatives working abroad? (Those who have friends or relatives abroad)



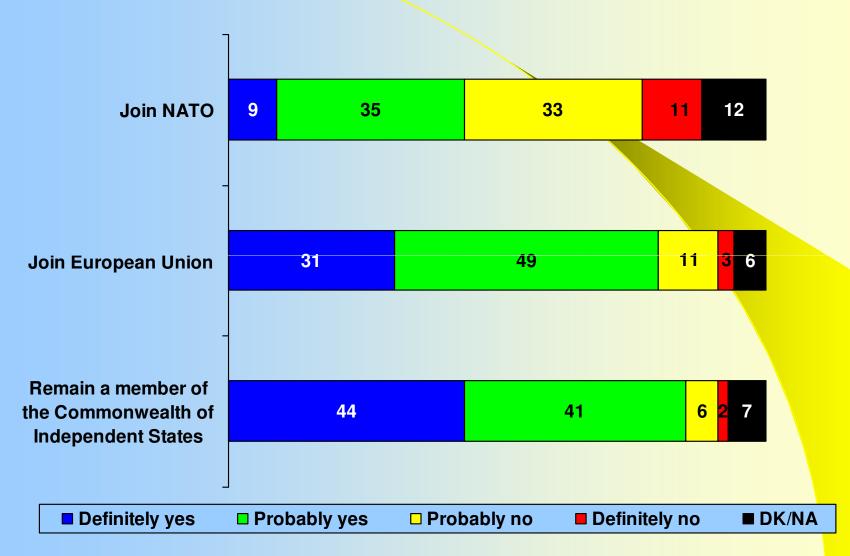
In which countries do you have relatives working? (N=682)



Do you think Russia is a trustworthy ally of Armenia?

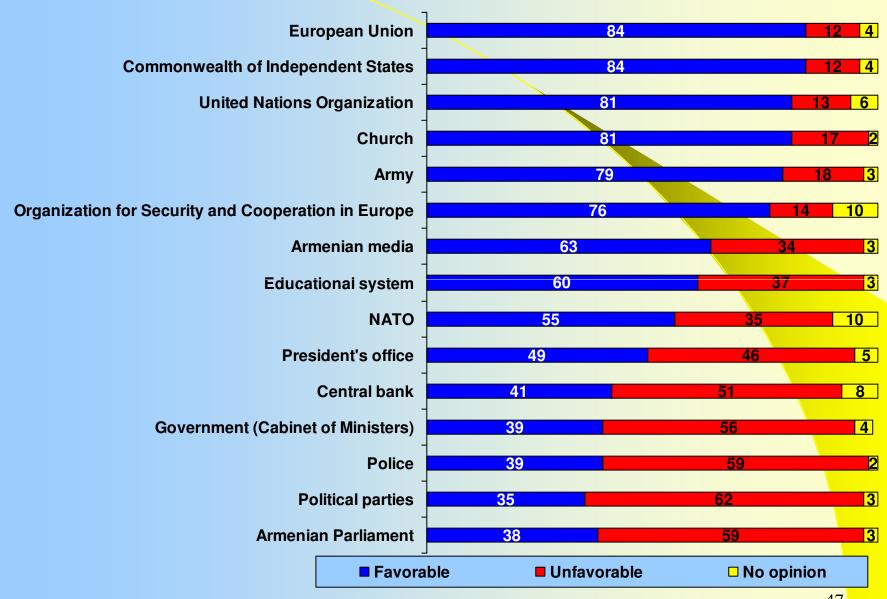


In your opinion, should Armenia in the future... October 2007



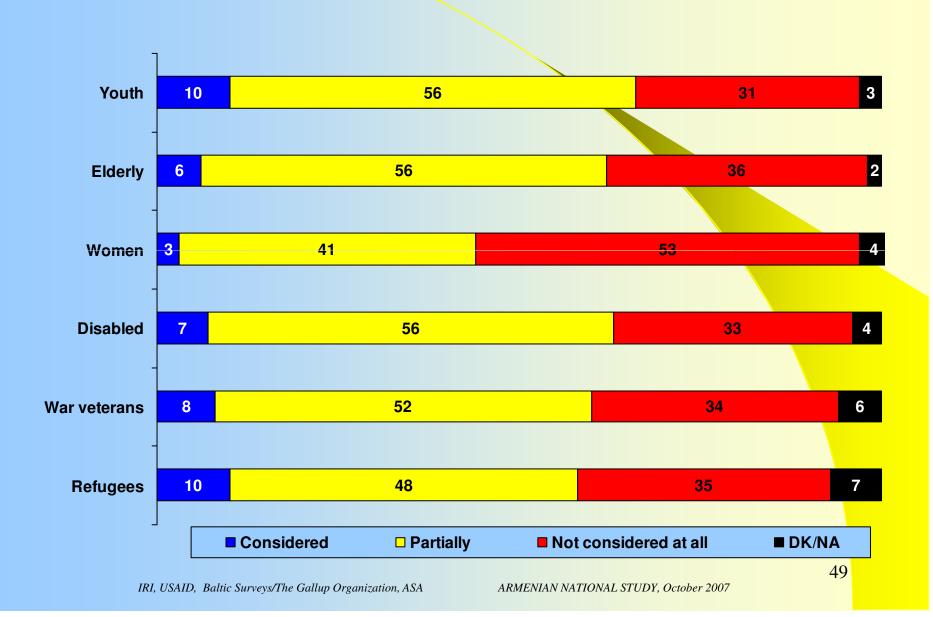
INSTITUTIONS

What is your opinion about the work of each of these institutions? October 2007

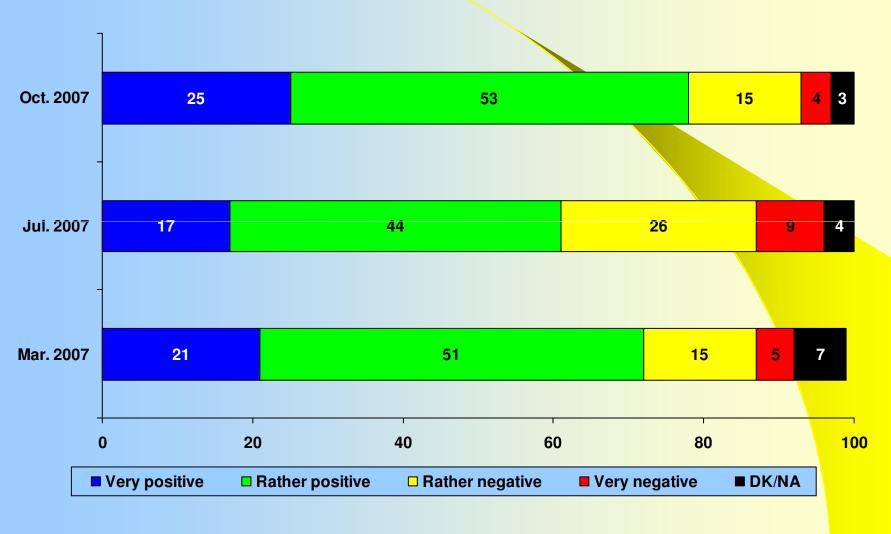


SITUATION OF SOCIAL GROUPS IN ARMENIA

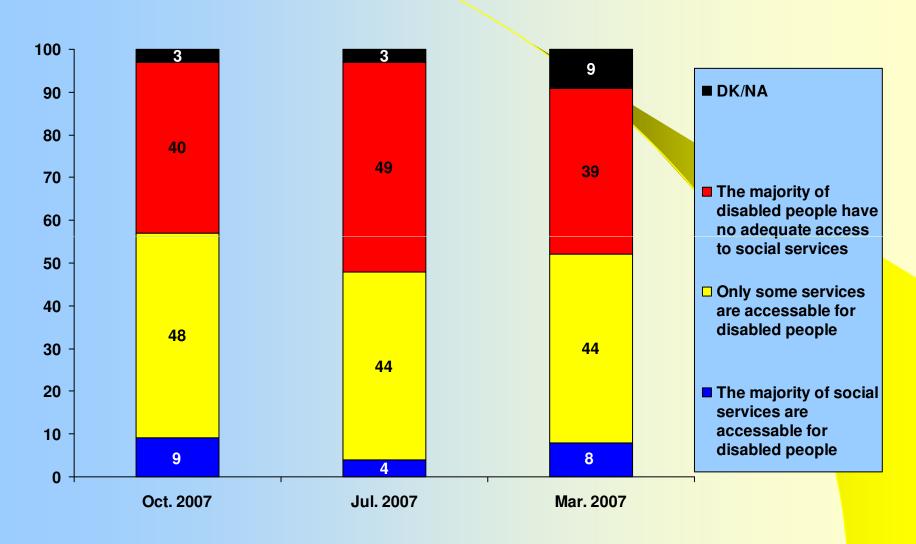
Are the needs of the following social groups considered in Armenia? October 2007



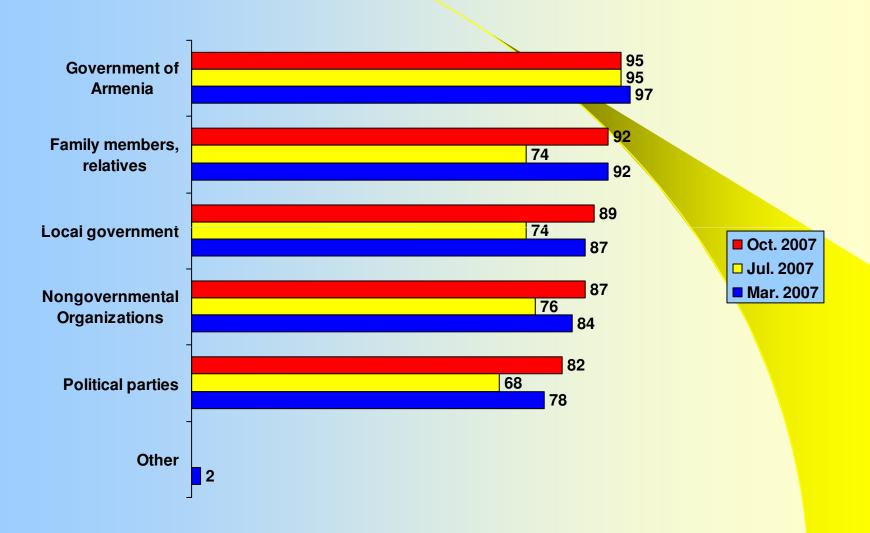
What is the prevailing attitude of the Armenian population towards disabled persons in Armenia?



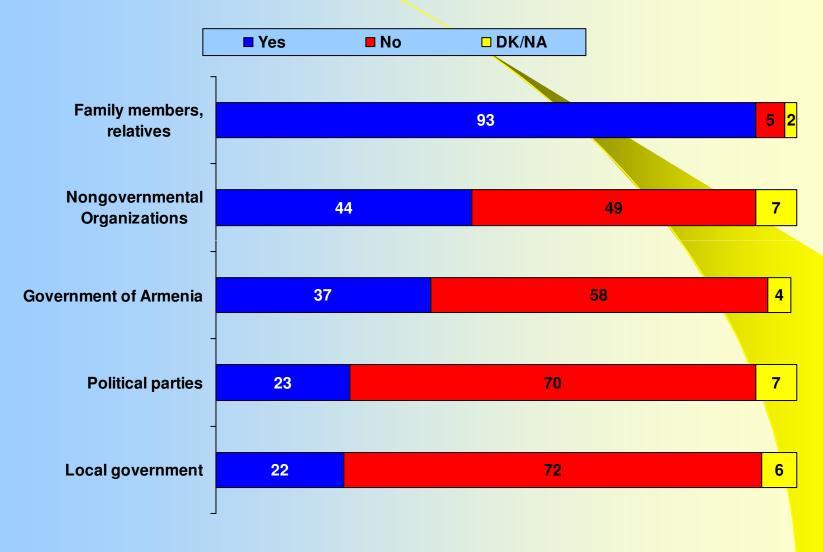
In your opinion, do disabled people in Armenia have adequate access to the social services?



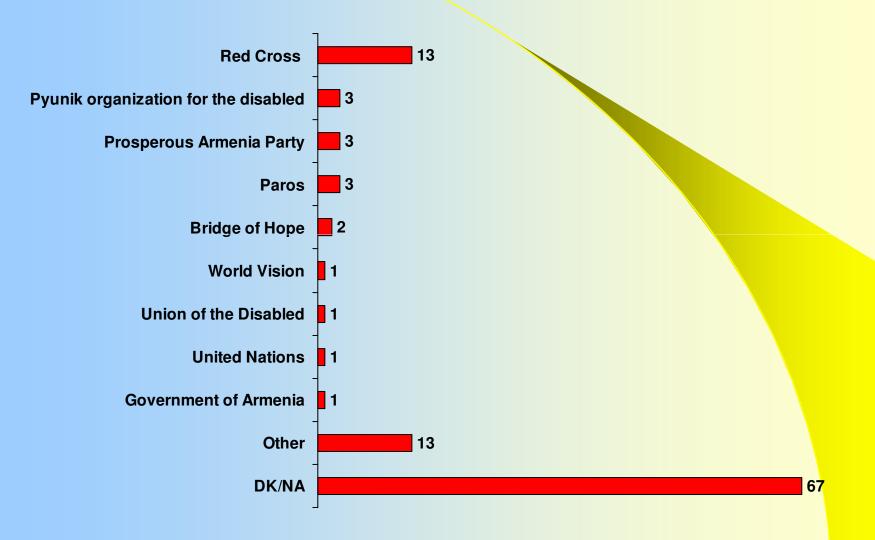
Who holds the primary responsibility for taking care of the needs of the disabled?



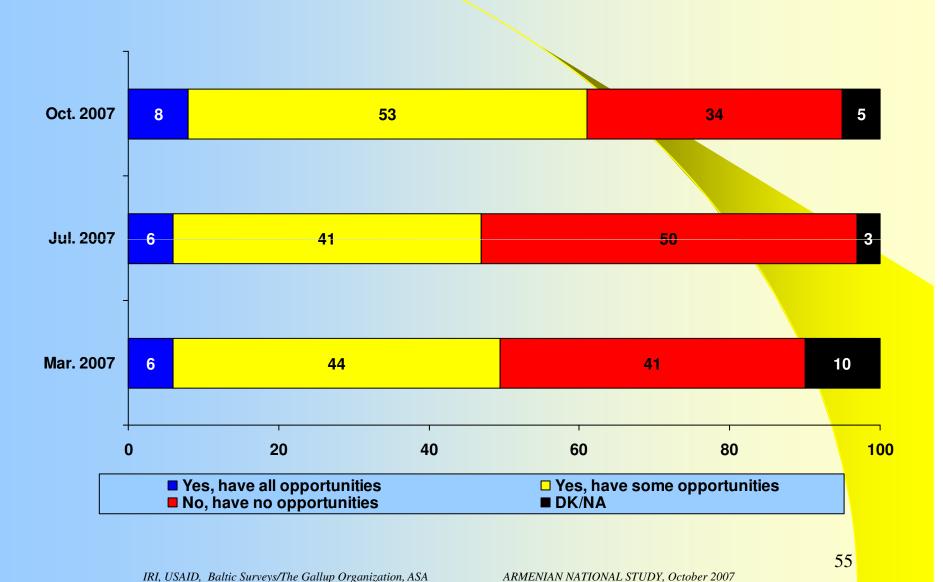
Do the following properly take care of the needs and problems of disabled people in Armenia? October 2007



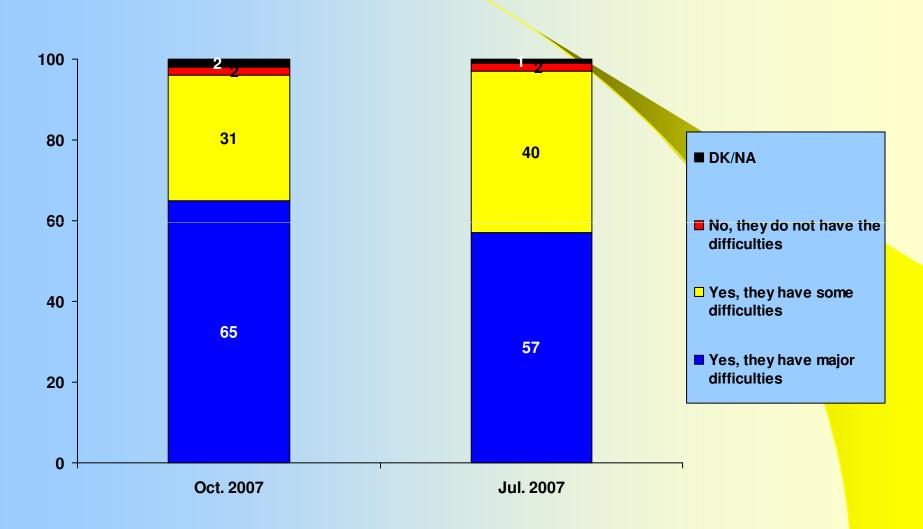
Which institutions, organizations, and nongovernmental organizations care about the needs and problems of disabled people in Armenia? October 2007



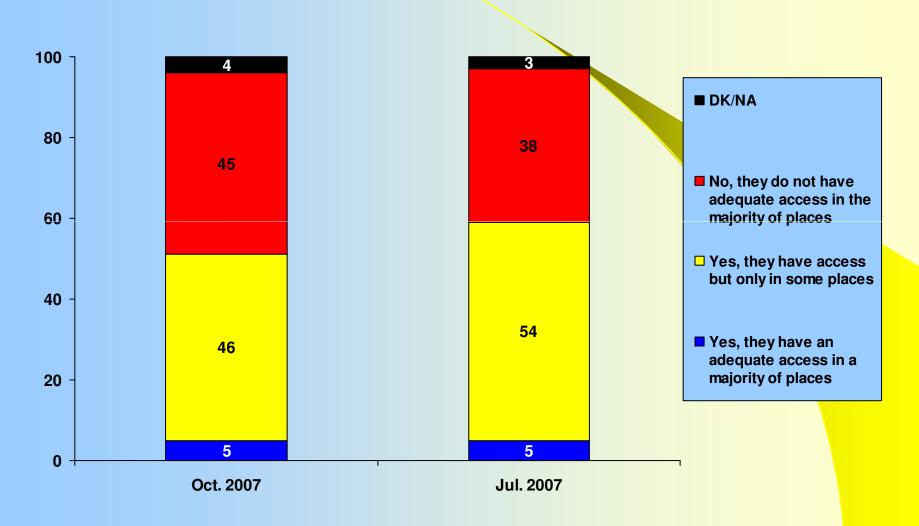
In your opinion, do disabled people in Armenia have adequate opportunities for active participation in political life?



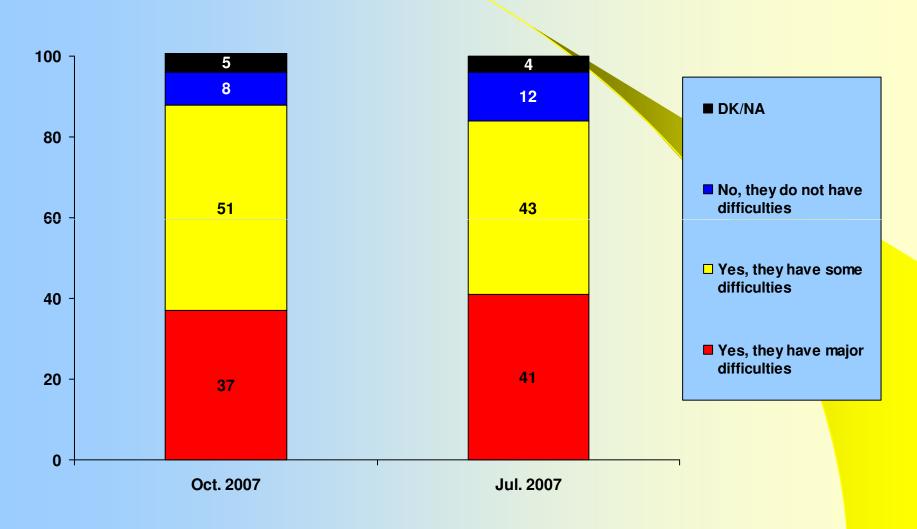
In your opinion, do disabled members of society in Armenia face challenges in finding employment opportunities?



In your opinion, do people who use wheelchairs have adequate access to public places?

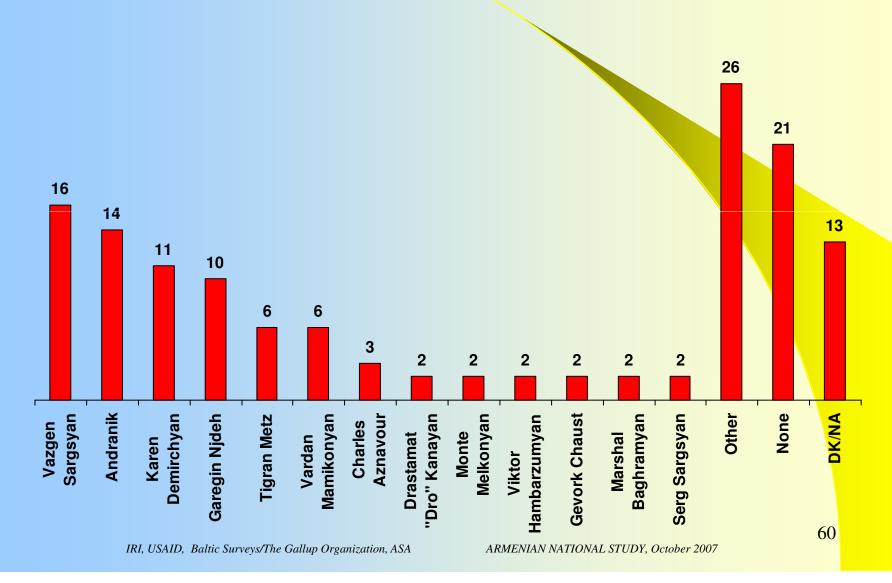


Do members of society who are disabled face challenges in seeking higher education?



HEROES OF OUR TIMES

Of the prominent Armenian people and characters in Armenian history and folk culture, who is most suitable to be a national hero or leader in the present?



Tolerance

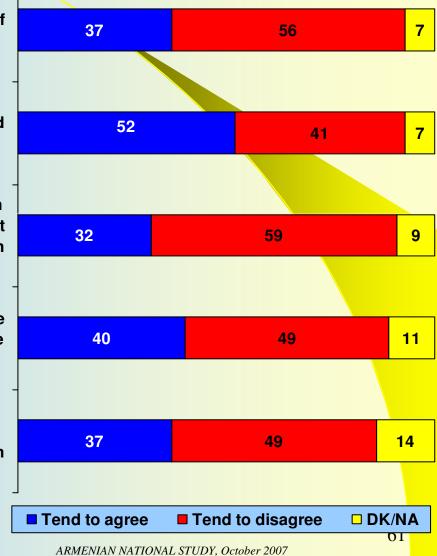
It is a good thing for any society to be made up of people from different religions

Armenia has always consisted of various cultural and religious groups

In order to be fully accepted members of Armenian society, people belonging to minority groups must give-up such parts of their religion or culture which may be in conflict with Armenian tradition

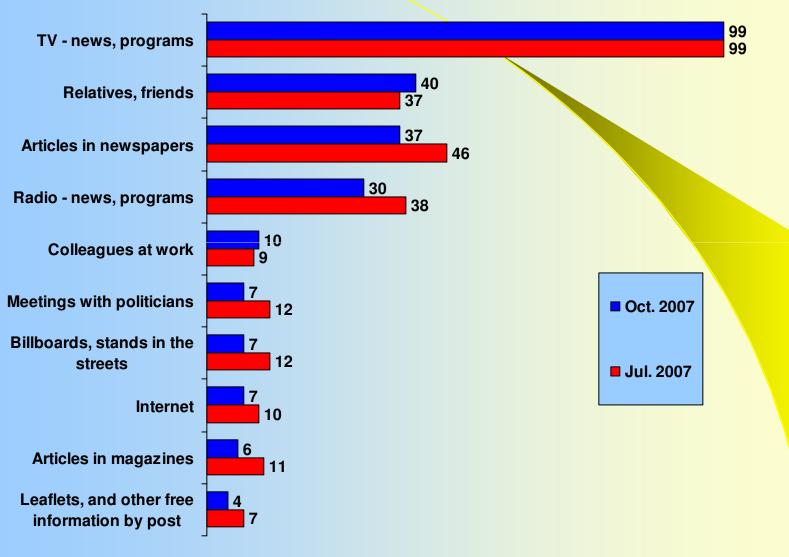
Armenia has reached its limits; if there were to be more people belonging to religious minorities we would have problems

Whether people belonging to religious minority groups can be fully accepted as members of Armenian society depends on the group of which they are a part

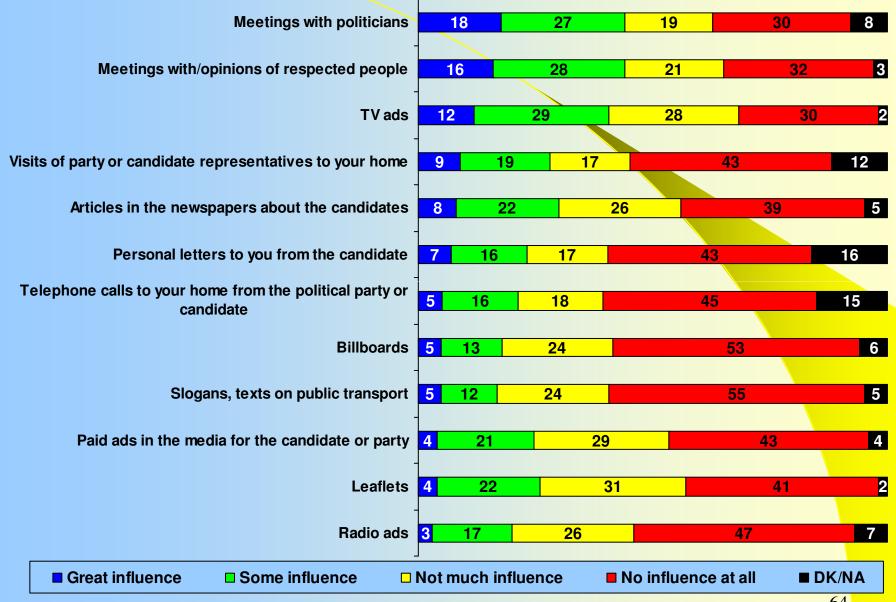


SOURCES OF INFORMATION

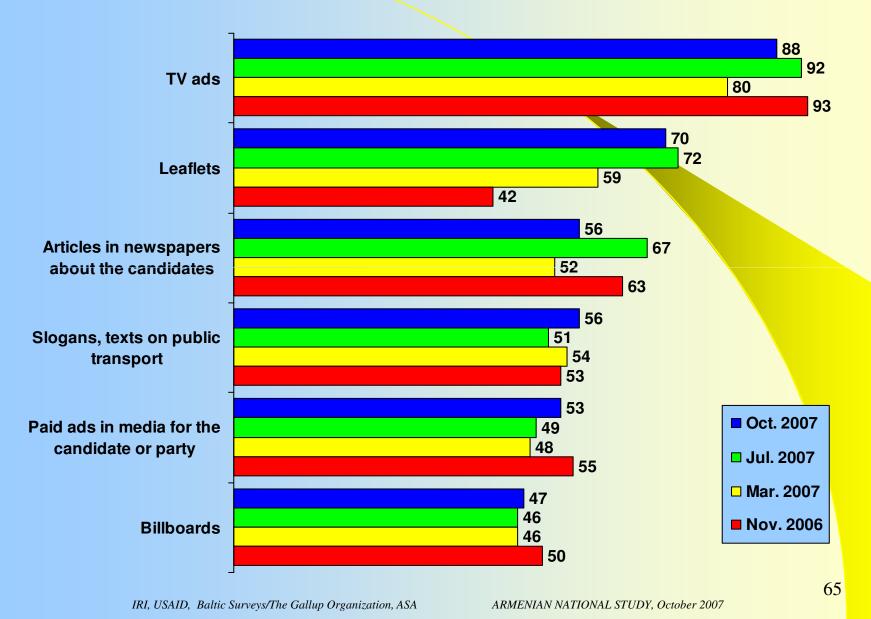
Which of these sources do you use to obtain political information?



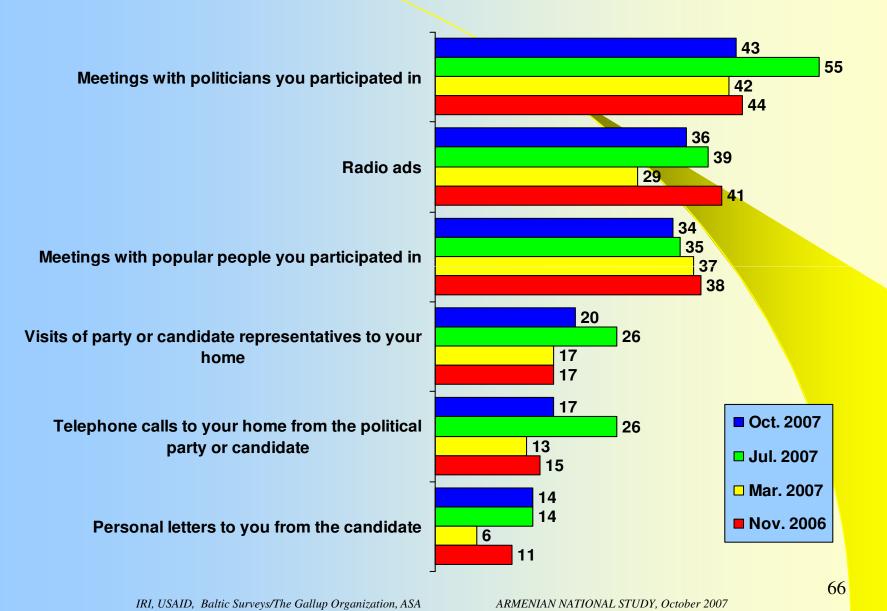
In general, how much influence does each of these forms of election campaigning have on you during a political campaign? October 2007



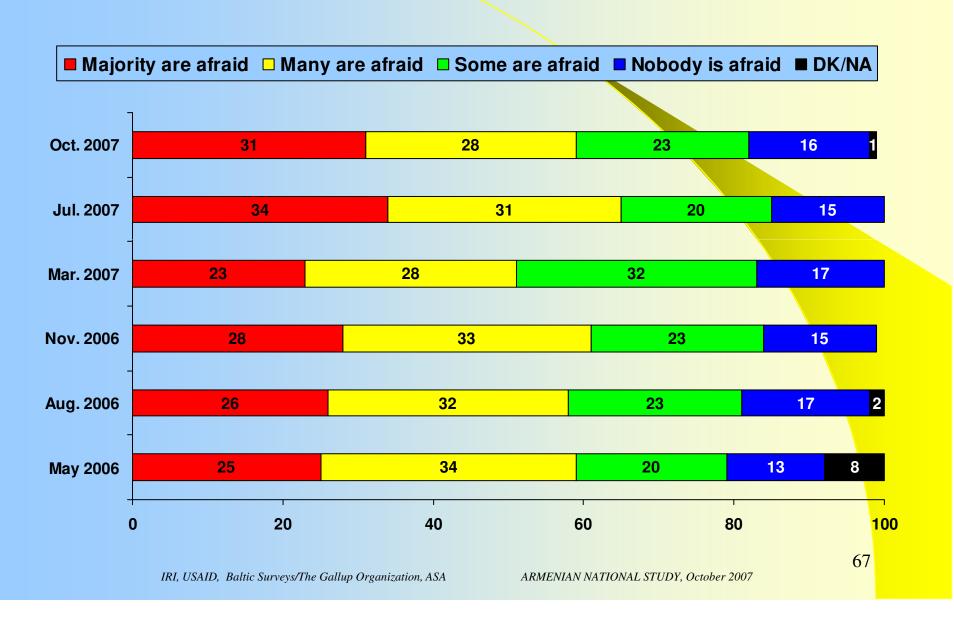
How well do you recall the means of communication used during the last parliamentary election campaign?



How well do you recall the means of communication used during the last parliamentary election campaign? (continued)



In your opinion, are people in Armenia afraid to openly express their political views?



Do you think that the Armenian government is implementing anti-fraud measures for the presidential election and that they will indeed be free and fair?

